

P. R. T. NOW OUT AS OPEN FOE OF TRANSIT PLANS

Ryan Prepares Brief to Defeat Opposition Before Public Service Commission.

City Solicitor, at Hearing Friday, Will Refute Contentions of Two High-Speed Foes That City Cannot Legally Proceed With Plans.

City Solicitor Ryan today began the preparation of the brief to be filed with the Public Service Commission on Friday in answer to the dual attack made upon the Taylor transit program before the commission in Harrisburg, yesterday, by Ames Ballard, chief counsel for the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, and by R. V. Vale, counsel for David E. Dalton, who started the taxpayer's suit to restrain the city from spending the \$20,000,000 loan on the construction of the Broad street subway and Frankford elevated lines.

With the Philadelphia Rapid Transit at last openly lined up against the transit plan of Director Taylor, the importance of the taxpayer's suit has suddenly multiplied, and it is now believed that the fight will be conducted along clear-cut lines between the transit company and the city. Particular significance is attached to the issuance of the annual report to the stockholders of the transit company on the same day that the officials of the company came openly forward to oppose transit development.

OPONENTS TO FILE BRIEFS. The brief of City Solicitor Ryan was ordered to be filed on Friday, July 23, and the briefs of the two opposition factions are to be filed 10 days later, on August 2. One week later, on August 15, as advertised by Director Taylor, the bids for the construction work on both the Broad street and the Frankford lines were to be opened and compared.

OBJECTIONS NOT WEIGHY. It was broadly hinted by Mr. Ballard during the hearing that the P. R. T. Company would not be willing to act as the operating company under the present arrangement or at the present time. Practically all his questions to Director Taylor were based on the assumption that the lines would be city operated as well as city built, and he endeavored to show that this would be an injustice to both the transit company and to the Philadelphia taxpayers.

Ballard's attention will be paid the Ballard statement that the Rapid Transit Company will not lease these lines. It is pointed out that a similar statement was made in New York when that city was building its subway, but after the lines were built no difficulty was experienced, as the company was extremely eager to lease and operate the lines to escape competition. It is said that the situation here is analogous.

The major contention advanced by Mr. Ballard, which will be answered in the brief of the City Solicitor, are the following: That the construction of the Broad street subway at the present time is illegal, since the P. R. T. was not given 90 days' notice of the city's intent to build as provided by the terms of the 1907 agreement between the city and the transit company. That the Broad street subway may not be legally built at any time, since the city is deprived of its right to build a line "on" or "along" Broad street by the act of Assembly of March 23, 1914, and by a contract between the State and the 13th and 15 street lines now subsidiaries of the P. R. T. Company.

That without co-operation from the P. R. T. the cost of the proposed lines to the city will be in excess of the borrowing capacity which the city now has. That the proposed lines would force the transit company to the verge of bankruptcy through the diversion of long-haul traffic, especially so since the jitneys at the present time are diverting the short-haul traffic.

JOHN BULL ROUTED FROM GERMAN HOTEL WHILE RECRUITING LABOR

Mrs. Mattern Becomes Indignant When She Discovers That "Mr. Wallace" Was Hiring Workmen on Her Premises to Serve England and Invites Him to Leave, Which He Does.

The forces of Great Britain suffered an astonishing and most unexpected rout today when they attempted to open recruiting headquarters for workmen for English munition factories and, with a lamentable lack of foresight, selected a German hotel for the purpose. The headquarters were to be opened under the auspices of the British Government by a "Mr. Wallace," representative of the White Star-Dominion Steamship Line. Kugler's Hotel, at 44 Spring Garden street, was selected.

At 9 o'clock the first applicants began to assemble. By 10:30 there were about 25 men waiting for the interview. "Mr. Wallace" was principally English and Scotch, as their dialects indicated. At 10:32 "Mr. Wallace" made his appearance and acceded to the second floor, where the recruiting room is located. "Mr. Wallace" took a seat at a long table and called one of the applicants forward. This is as far as English activity extended. At this point the enemy entered.

At 10:33 John Mattern stalked into the room. Mr. Mattern is the second husband of the former Mrs. Caroline Kugler, proprietress of the hotel. Mr. Mattern wanted little time.

"This meeting," he said sternly and unmistakably, "is dismissed. You cannot meet in this hotel. I have just seen by the newspapers what you intend to do, and I must ask you to leave at once. It is impossible for you to remain here another minute. I cannot have this place compromised by such a meeting. You will have to go."

Mr. Mattern explained later that he had been downtown earlier in the day and had

not been aware of the purpose when permission was granted for the meeting. He said he was first apprised of it when his attention was called to the newspaper article by his lawyer. He immediately made haste to return and the denouement followed.

Mrs. Mattern stated that the hall had been occupied on Monday evenings by the Amalgamated Society of Engineers and Machinists and that they had notified her that they would like to occupy the hall for a short time today. She was highly indignant at what she called the betrayal of her confidence.

"This is a matter of misrepresentation. When permission was requested of me for the use of the hall I was under the impression that it was to be a meeting of the society. It is impossible for us to permit the use of the hotel for English recruiting. We have been in business for 37 years and we have never had anything so distasteful as this occur during that time. I shall take immediate steps to cause the society to meet elsewhere in the future. When they come here on Monday night they will be told to get out."

One of the patrons of the hotel interjected a few remarks at this point.

"This is just another attempt to inflict damage on a German house by the British," he said. "Thousands of people will read of the meeting, and what will they say? Why that this hotel does not deserve their patronage."

The assembled applicants had long since departed. They went to the Rudeoin House, at 234 and Spring Garden streets. There "Mr. Wallace" took his seat again and began once more the questioning of applicants. A number of them accepted the offerings of the British Government.

BOARD'S RIGHT DENIED TO FIX PHONE RATES

Keystone Company Attorney Says Law Permits Only Supervision of Companies' Business.

HARRISBURG, July 27.—When the three-year-old controversy between the Public Service Commission and the telephone companies of the State as to the reasonableness of the rates before the commission proposed to enforce came before the Public Service body today, James Collins Jones, counsel for the Keystone Telephone Company of Philadelphia, questioned the right of the commission to make rates. He said the law provides only for the supervision and correction of public service companies doing business in Pennsylvania and when the commission attempted to formulate an entirely new rate it usurped the right of the companies.

Commissioner Pennypacker questioned Mr. Jones at some length as to his reasons for his objection and then called his attention to the fact that the commission had not hesitated to step in where proposed rates had been regarded as unfair or excessive and asked him if this did not in effect go back with the proposition of establishing new rates.

Mr. Jones did not agree with Commissioner Pennypacker that it did. Mr. Jones charged that the method by which the commission proposes to fix the telephone charges for the State is basically wrong. He said the proper way to arrive at a proper inclusion in the matter would be by an examination of each company separately and that population, upon which the tentative schedule is founded, plays only a small part in the fixing of telephone rates.

The hearing is one of the most important ever given by the commission and may last two days, as nearly every telephone company in the State has its legal and official representatives. Any of the companies interested may protest, even though they have had no part in the proceedings leading up to the present argument. All the companies are opposed to the proposed schedule.

R. V. Marry, general counsel for the Bell company, will make the closing address.

McCREARY FUNERAL TOMORROW

Simple Services Will Mark Ceremony at Home and Church.

Simply will mark the funeral of George Deardorf McCreary, former City Treasurer and Congressman, who died at his home in Chestnut Hill yesterday. Brief services will be conducted at the home at Willow Grove avenue and St. Martin's lane for the family tomorrow afternoon, to be followed by public services in the church of St. Martin-in-the-Field at 3:30 o'clock.

The Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, rector of Holy Trinity Church, will officiate at the home and church. He will be assisted by the Rev. Victor W. Mori, assistant rector of the Church of St. Martin-in-the-Field. The family of Mr. McCreary has decided that, since friends whom he would have desired as honorary pallbearers are out of the city, they will have none to serve at the funeral.

Burial will be in Laurel Hill Cemetery and will be private.

CLUB BARS LIQUOR

Fairmount Park Organization Bansishes "Booze" From Clubhouse.

The Crescent Boat Club has banished all intoxicating liquors from the clubhouse in Fairmount Park. Heretofore the club has always kept liquor on hand, but because of the growing prohibition movement the resolution banning booze was passed at the semi-annual meeting of the club by a vote of 12 to 11.

Officers of the club were elected as follows: President, John L. Craig; vice president, Walter E. Witter; secretary, W. G. Cooper; treasurer, W. H. Hart; captain, C. W. Bray; coxswain, N. C. MacDonald; vice coxswain, C. F. Search; and delegate to the Schuylkill Navy, Philip Maas.

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CLOVER CLUB MEMBERS ATTEND BEDLOE FUNERAL

Prominent Men Honor Famous Wit, Now "Dead All Over."

Members of the Clover Club and other prominent clubs thronged the Church of St. John the Divine, 13th street above Chestnut street, this morning at the funeral of Dr. Edward Bedloe, known throughout the city as "Bedloe Boy" and famous as an explorer and traveler. Dr. Bedloe, who lived at Dooner's Hotel, was noted as a wit. A couplet he devised—

While we live, we live in clover; When we're dead, we're dead all over.—became a slogan of the Clover Club. Dr. Bedloe was always in great demand at dinners and banquets held in Philadelphia during the time he stopped here while in the consular service. His knowledge of Egypt won him an assignment by the Khedive of Egypt to the Khedival staff during a magnificent entertainment at Port Saïd. After that Dr. Bedloe became known as "Bedloe Boy," who had been "a boy for a night."

The services at St. John's Church today were the simplest. A low requiem mass was said by the Rev. William J. Ballou, assistant rector of the church. In the pews were men who had counted "Bedloe Boy" their friend for many years. Captain Mitchell MacDonald, of the United States Army; Dr. J. J. Harrigan, of St. DeMey and United States Commissioner Thomas Hoban, interment in Mt. Vernon Cemetery followed the services.

WOMAN FAINTS IN FIRE

Carried Unconscious From House. Son Burned Battling Flames.

Fire in the first floor of the cigar and candy store of Max Bernstein, of 400 Market street, early today drove Bernstein and Mrs. Bernstein to a shed roof from their second-floor sleeping rooms. Mrs. Bernstein fainted when smoke from their second-floor sleeping rooms, which roused the family, poured up the stairs and cut off escape. She was carried out the window to the roof and lifted through another window into the house at 407 Market street.

Louis Bernstein, a son, filled a pail with water and, followed by his brother, ran down the stairs in an effort to stifle the fire. He was burned about the face and arms and went to the Presbyterian Hospital for treatment. His brother was not injured. Firemen believe that matches ignited by mice caused the fire. The loss was estimated at \$1000.



MINNIE (ABOVE) AND HELEN GEISS

COUSINS TO MARRY SISTERS

Casual Acquaintance to End in Double Wedding.

An interesting romance, begun eight months ago, will terminate next Monday in the double wedding of Minnie and Helen Geiss, sisters, to John Kugler, of Houston, Tex., and his cousin, Charles Kugler, of 141 North Lawrence street, respectively. Licenses have been obtained by the couples at the Marriage License Bureau at the City Hall.

While visiting relatives in this city last December, John Kugler became acquainted with Miss Minnie Geiss, who is 21 years old, at a dance. Miss Helen, who is 17 years old, met her future husband at another dance during the same month. Warm friendships were formed, which finally resulted in their engagements.

The ceremony will be performed at St. Boniface's Catholic Church, Diamond and Hancock streets.

MAN HELD FOR EXPLOSION

Discharged Employee Accused of Trying to Blow Up Plant.

DALLAS, Tex., July 27.—Discarding the German spy theory, the police today held on suspicion, Wallace Moore, a son of W. T. Moore, saddlemaker, in whose house a bomb exploded late last night, injuring the older Moore and Frank Moore. Several other suspects were released.

The police expressed the opinion that the younger Moore is responsible for the bomb outrage in the Moore home, and for the unsuccessful attempt to blow up the home of President Padgett, of the Padgett Saddlery Company, working on an Allied war order.

The Padgett attempt was considered a blind to cover the Moore case. Wallace Moore had been discharged from the Padgett concern about a week ago.

ROBINSON HONORED

Superintendent's Office a Flower Garden on Birthday.

Superintendent of Police James Robinson was a very much surprised man on entering the office this morning to find that it had been transformed into a flower garden. Friends of the Superintendent contributed the blooms in honor of his 44th birthday anniversary, which he is celebrating today.

U. S. Officials Sent to Settle Strike WASHINGTON, July 27.—Acting Labor Secretary Denmore today ordered Clifford Reeves and Patrick Gilpatric, special commissioners, to Bridgeport, Conn., to try to settle the pattern makers' strike.

DR. JACOBS' MEMORY HONORED AT FUNERAL

Education Board, Principals and Teachers Attend—Garber Temporary School Head.

The funeral of Dr. William C. Jacobs, late Superintendent of Public Schools in this city, was held at his home, 812 North 63d street, this morning. A tribute to the deceased was paid by the Board of Education, when that body held a special meeting, at which Henry R. Edmunds, president of the board, presided. The meeting was adjourned at 10 o'clock, when the members of the board went to attend the funeral.

John Wananaker eulogized Doctor Jacobs in a short address at the meeting, and then made a motion for the appointment of an acting superintendent to serve until September, when the board will reconvene. President Edmunds, at the close of the meeting, designated Associate Superintendent Dr. John C. Garber to succeed Doctor Jacobs temporarily.

Other addresses, paying tribute to the high character and ability of Doctor Jacobs, were made by Edwin Wolf, former Judge Dimmer Beeber and William C. Rowen. A committee of five was appointed by President Edmunds, on motion of Mr. Wananaker, to prepare a memorial to Doctor Jacobs, copies of which will be sent to his family.

The Rev. Charles E. Adamson, pastor of the Mary E. Simpson Memorial Church, 56th and Jefferson streets, officiated at the funeral services.

Additional honor was paid to the memory of Doctor Jacobs by the closing of all recreation centres, all offices of the Board of Education and all summer playgrounds operated under the supervision of the board during the funeral hour. The Department of Superintendence in the Stock Exchange Building will remain closed all day.

The funeral was largely attended by principals and teachers of schools in this city and others who came from distant sections of Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and other states. The honorary pallbearers were:

Governor Brumbaugh, Dr. John P. Garber, Dr. George Wheeler, Dr. Oliver P. Cornman, Albert M. Rank, John C. Frazier, Dr. George W. Flounders, Enoch W. Pearson, William A. Mason, William A. Stecher, Henry J. Gideon, William Dick, Edward Merchant, Andrew P. Hammond and J. Horace Cook.

VICTIMS' BODIES ON WAY HERE

Parents Will Receive Corpses of Chicago Disaster Dead.

The bodies of Mrs. John Fitzgerald and her 2-year-old daughter, Dorothy, the only Philadelphia victims of the great Eastland excursion boat horror of Chicago, will arrive in this city some time today. They will be taken direct to the home of Mr. and Mrs. John O'Brien, of Fernwood, parents of Mrs. Fitzgerald.

No word has been received from John Fitzgerald, the husband and father of the victims, who is a member of the United States Marine Corps, attached to the battleship Michigan, now in Cuban waters. It is thought, however, that he is on his way to this city. News of the tragedy was telegraphed to him by O'Brien.

Another Italian Protest Planned

It was announced in the Italian quarter today that agitators will hold a meeting Sunday, seeking to dissuade Italian reservists from returning to Italy. The announcement followed the publication of the final call for the reservists to return to their colors. The call fixes August 3 as the last day upon which reservists may report without being declared deserters.

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SINKING OF LEELANAW NO CAUSE FOR WAR

John Frederick Lewis, Noted Admiralty Lawyer, Says Case Is Like That of Frye.

There should be no war between the United States and Germany because of the sinking of the American steamship Leelanaw by a German submarine off the northeast coast of Scotland, in the opinion of John Frederick Lewis, noted as an admiralty lawyer, whose offices are at 104 South 4th street.

Mr. Lewis today gave his opinion that the latest destruction of an American merchantman by a German, undersea vessel was a matter demanding compensation from the German Government for the loss to the owners of the Leelanaw, but not one that should result in hostilities between America and Germany.

The Admiralty attorney pointed out that the sinking of the boat, after it had been found to be carrying contraband, was in no way an insult to this Government. Instead, he said, it was simply a "short cut" by Germany to take the vessel off the seas. In event the German Government should refuse to pay for the loss, he called attention to the many German steamships interned in American ports that could be seized to pay the loss. Judged from the terms of the latest note to Germany, he did not think that the sinking of the Leelanaw should be considered by the United States as an "unfriendly act."

Mr. Lewis said: "The sinking of the Leelanaw ought not to involve any international complications other than a demand by the United States Government for compensation. No lives were lost and the incident is in no wise similar to the destruction of the Lusitania and the loss of hundreds of innocent lives. The case is substantially similar to that of the sinking of the William P. Frye and compensation of the owners of the ship ought to meet the issue.

"Ordinarily, when a warship overhauls a merchant ship carrying contraband, the warship takes its prize to a home port or to a port of an ally, where the question of prize or no prize is determined. If the vessel is carrying contraband of a greater value than the value of the ship, the vessel is liable to condemnation. A submarine, from the nature of her hull, cannot tow a merchant vessel to a German port. Such towage under the present circumstances would be impossible. Hence, Germany has taken a short cut by sinking the Leelanaw and leaving the owners to their rights under international law. These rights I have no doubt the Government of the United States can enforce."

"War with Germany at the present time seems inconceivable, but there are many ways in which the Government of the United States can protect itself and its citizens without engaging in actual hostilities. It is to be sincerely hoped that the United States will remain at peace with Germany and will not sever diplomatic relations, and that no such drastic measure as this, which I have suggested, will be made necessary."

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ATLANTIC CITY, July 26.—Barnes, who spent on Sunday last at the Philadelphia Pier 2200, sixteen separate charges of violating the strict Sunday statute have been filed against Manager William Ferris.

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